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Inventor(s): Stevenson et al.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DEEP-FRYING A CHIP FOOD PRODUCT

Also enclosed are:

(X) 7 formal sheets of drawing.

(X) This application is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 09/479,584. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

(X) A copy of the Declaration from the prior application is enclosed.

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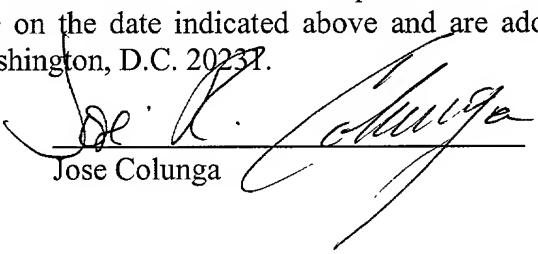
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